

**CLAIMS**

1. A system (10) for supporting at least one article, said system including:

a support structure including at least one elongate element (12);

at least one clamp (14) defining a recess (20), flanked by two resilient arms (22) and being removably attachable to the elongate element (12), the clamp (14) being removably attachable to the elongate element (12) by receiving the elongate element (12) in the recess (20) in a clipping fashion, to be releasably held in position on the elongate element (12) by inwardly resilience of the arms (22); and

an article support formation (16), attachable to the clamp (14), wherein a plurality of attachment formations in the form of a plurality of ridges (24) are defined on an outer periphery of the clamp (14), to which at least one article support formation (16) is releasably attachable, by receiving the attachment formation (24) in a complementary formation in the form of a recess (42), defined on the article support formation (16), in which the ridges (24) are receivable in a sliding fashion, characterised in that the ridges (24) and the complementary recesses (42) each have a dovetail cross-sectional profile.

2. A system (10) as claimed in Claim 1, characterised in that at least one elongate element has a non-round cross-sectional profile and a number of element engagement formations (56), are provided on the inner

periphery of the clamp recess (20), to engage the cross-sectional periphery of the non-round elongate element (12), resiliently.

3. A system (10) as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the clamp (14) includes a catch (26), attachable to ends (28) of the two arms (22) and configured to exert an inward bias on the ends (28) of the arms (22), to urge them closer together and thereby assist in holding the elongate element (12) in position within the recess (20), **characterised in that** the catch (26) includes a main part (32), pivotally attachable to one arm (22) of the clamp (14), and a linkage part (30), pivotally attachable to the end (28) of the other arm (22) of the clamp (14), the main part (32) and linkage part (30) being pivotally connected, so that the catch (26) can operate in an over-centred configuration, in which the main part (32) and linkage part (30) can be oriented at a large angle relative to each other, when the catch (26) is in a free condition, and wherein the main part (32) and linkage part (30) can be oriented at a small angle relative to each other, when the catch (26) is in a gripping condition, with a resilient bias of the main part (30) retaining the catch (26) in the gripping condition.

4. A system (10) as claimed in Claim 1, **characterised in that** the support formation (16) defines at least one article engagement formation (40) which includes a clamp (48) for supporting an article by clinching it between jaws (50,52) of the clamp (48).

5. A system (10) as claimed in Claim 1, characterised in that the article support formation (16) defines more than one complementary formations (42,54), that are spaced apart and that are simultaneously attachable to attachment formations (24) of more than one spaced apart clamp (14).

6. A system as claimed in Claim 1, **characterised in that** it includes a light fitting (62), attachable to the clamp (14).

7. A clamp (14) that is attachable to an elongate element (12) and to which an article support formation (16) is attachable according to Claim 1, the clamp (14) defining a recess (20) flanked by two resilient arms (22) so that the elongate element (12) can be received in the recess (20) in a clipping fashion, to be releasably held in position by the inwardly resilience of the arms (22),

wherein a plurality of attachment formations in the form of a plurality of ridges (24) are defined on an outer periphery of the clamp (14), to which at least one article support formation (16) is releasably attachable, by receiving the attachment formation (24) in a complementary formation in the form of a recess (42), defined on the article support formation (16), in which the ridges (24) are receivable in a sliding fashion, **characterised in that** the ridges (24) and the complementary recesses (42) each have a dovetail cross-sectional profile.

8. A system (10) as claimed in Claim 1, substantially as herein described and illustrated.

9. A clamp (14) as claimed in Claim 7, substantially as herein described and illustrated.

10. A new support system or a new clamp, substantially as herein described.